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Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2012 regular session

(New York, 30 January-8 February 2012 and 17 February 2012)

Summary

At its 2012 regular session, held from 30 January to 8 February and on 17 February 2012, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations had before it 343 applications for consultative status, including applications deferred from earlier sessions. Of the non-governmental organizations submitting those applications, the Committee recommended 157 for consultative status, deferred 162 for further consideration at its resumed session in May 2012, closed consideration of 1 application and closed consideration without prejudice of 20 applications of organizations that had failed to respond to queries over two consecutive sessions. It also took note that three non-governmental organizations had withdrawn their applications. The Committee also had before it seven requests for reclassification of consultative status; it recommended granting three of those requests. The Committee took note of all 12 requests for change of name. It also had before it 395 quadrennial reports, of which it took note of 374. The Committee heard 21 representatives of the 32 non-governmental organizations that attended the session.

The present report contains two draft decisions on matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council.

By draft decision I, the Council would:

(a) Grant consultative status to one hundred and fifty-seven non-governmental organizations;

(b) Reclassify the consultative status of three non-governmental organizations;

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(c) Note the withdrawal of the application of three non-governmental organizations;

(d) Note that the Committee decided to take note of the change of name of twelve non-governmental organizations;

(e) Note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of three hundred and sixty-nine non-governmental organizations for the period 2007-2010;

(f) Note that the Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of five organizations covering earlier periods;

(g) Note that the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the request for consultative status made by twenty non-governmental organizations after the organizations had failed to respond to queries over the course of two consecutive sessions;

(h) Note that the Committee decided to close consideration of the request for consultative status made by the non-governmental organization Movement against Atrocities and Repression.

By draft decision II, the Council would take note of the present report.

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I. Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

Draft decisions for adoption by the Council

1. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I
Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification received from non-governmental organizations

The Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) To grant consultative status to the following one hundred and fifty-seven non-governmental organizations:[1]

General consultative status

Biovision Stiftung für ökologische Entwicklung

Gazeteciler ve Yazarlar Vakfi

Islamic Relief USA

Voluntary Service Overseas

Special consultative status

Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine

Africa culture internationale

African Agency for Integrated Development

African Centre for Community and Development

African Development Association

Agence pour le développement intégré au Congo

Ajegunle Community Project

A.K. Munshi Yojana

Albert B. Sabin Vaccine Institute

All-Russian Public Organization of Disabled People with Multiple Sclerosis

Amizade

Arab Penal Reform Organization

Artfully AWARE

Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact

Asian Consultancy on Tobacco Control

[1] Including both new and deferred applications.

Asociación Civil Observatorio Social

Asociación de Amigos de las Naciones Unidas

Association de l'intervention pour les mères

Association des jeunes pour l'agriculture du Mali

Association Dunenyo

Association graines de paix

Association of African Entrepreneurs

Association pour le développement de la société civile angolaise

Association pour l'intégration et le développement durable au Burundi

Association togolaise pour les Nations Unies

Awaz Centre for Development Services

Bread of Life Development Foundation

British Humanist Association

Cancer Aid Society

Captive Daughters

Centa for Organisational Development

Center for Africa Development and Progress

Centre d'information et de conseil des nouvelles spiritualités

Centre for Development Communication

Centre for Economic and Leadership Development

Centre for Environment and Development

Centre for Human Rights

Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales

Centro Ecuatoriano de Derecho Ambiental

Chamber of Computer Logistics People Worldwide

Chicago TASC

Children Education and Social Welfare Society

Colectiva Mujer y Salud

Comisión para la Investigacion de Malos Tratos a las Mujeres

Compagnons d'action pour le développement familial

Concile mondial de congrès diplomatiques des aumoniers pour la paix universelle des droits humains et juridiques

Confedération européenne des cadres

Corporación para la Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos-Reiniciar

Corps de réflexion et de planification pour l'utilité sociale

Daya Pertiwi Foundation

Diabetic Association of Sri Lanka

Disarm Education Fund

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Earth Day Network

East and Horn of Africa Human Rights Defenders Projects

Ecumenical Federation of Constantinopolitans

European Union Association in the United States

Famille Debout

Federation of Women Groups

Fondation des oeuvres pour la solidarité et le bien-être social

Fondation marocaine de l'éducation pour l'emploi

Foundation for Human Horizon

Frathekk Foundation Common Initiative Group

Freemuse: the World Forum on Music and Censorship

Fundación Argentina a las Naciones Camino a la Verdad

Fundación Proacceso ECO

Global Deaf Connection

Global Economist Forum

Global Family for Love and Peace

Guru Angad Dev Sewa Society — Punjab, Ludhiana

Horizon Foundation

Housing Works

ICW Global: Comunidad Internacional de Mujeres Viviendo con VIH-SIDA

IDP Foundation

Impact for Change and Development

Indian Development Foundation

Indigenous Information Network

Innovation: Africa

Institut Jules-Destrée

Institute for Conscious Global Change

Intercambios

Interchurch Medical Assistance

International Longevity Center Global Alliance

International POPs Elimination Network

Internationale Organisation Für Volkskunst

Iraqi Development Organization

IRESC: International Radio Emergency Support Coalition

Japan Water Forum

Korean Assembly for Reunion of Ten Million Separated Families

Kosmos Associates

Kuwait Association for the Basic Evaluators for Human Rights

Kyung Hee University

Law Council of Australia

LDC Watch

Legal Aid Forum for Human Rights

Liberian United Youth for Community Safety and Development

Licht für die Welt — Christoffel Entwicklungszusammenarbeit

Local Action Organization

Major Alliance Education Centre

Mediators Beyond Borders

Mother Care Foundation

Murder Victims' Families for Human Rights

National Advocates for Pregnant Women

National Coalition Against Racial Discrimination

NGO Coordination Committee for Iraq

NGO Coordination post Beijing Switzerland

Ngoma Club

Nigeria Model United Nations Society

Observatorio Mexicano de la Crisis

ODHIKAR: Coalition for Human Rights

Okogun Odigie Safewomb International Foundation

Organisation camerounaise pour la protection de l'arbre

Organisation pour la rénovation environnante du sud d'Haïti

Painted Children UK

People for Successful Corean Reunification

Pesticide Action Nexus Association

PFI Foundation

Pragya

Public Fund "Medialife"

Public Health Institute

Public Union of Citizens "International Centre of Education of Georgian and German Women"

Reality of Aid Network

Regional Public Foundation Assistance for the Elderly "Dobroe Delo"

Release Legal Emergency and Drugs Service

Salamander Trust

Sant Nirankari Mandal — Delhi

Search for Common Ground

Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States

Shrimati Pushpa Wati Loomba Memorial Foundation

Smile Foundation

Solidarité agissante pour le développement familial

Stichting Universal Education Foundation

Sveriges Kvinnolobby

The Fishermen

Thin and High

Tlachinollan: Grupo de Apoyo a los Pueblos Indios de la Montaña

Tomorrow's Peacekeepers Today

Tour opération et initiatives

Training for Women Network

Uganda Management Assistance Programme

US Women Connect

USA Mali Charitable Association of NYC

Voice of Change International

Vojenský a špitální Řád svatého Lazara Jeruzaléemského — Bohemia

WOOMB International

World Alliance for Youth Empowerment

World Barua Organization

World Hunger Year

World Igbo Congress

Yakutia — Our O[illegible]ion

Young Professionals Forum

ZOA Vluchtelingenzorg

Roster

Erevna International Peace Center

(b) To reclassify the following three non-governmental organizations from the Roster to special consultative status:

International Diabetes Federation

International Federation of Translators

World Heart Federation

(c) To take note of the withdrawal by the following three non-governmental organizations of their applications for consultative status:

Act of Life

International Christian Chamber of Commerce

Soroptimist International of the Americas

(d) To take note of the decision by the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations to take note of the change of name of the following twelve non-governmental organizations:

Brothers of Charity to Global Action Against Poverty

Comité Español de Representantes de Minusválidos to Comité Español de Representantes de Personas con Discapacidad

Danish Association for Gays and Lesbians to LGBT Denmark: The National Organization for Gay Men, Lesbians, Bisexuals and Transgendered People

Global Foundation for Democracy and Development to Fundación Global Democracia y Desarrollo

Human Rights Law Resource Centre to Human Rights Law Centre

International Federation "Terre des Hommes" to Terre des Hommes fédération internationale

International Union of Forestry Research Organizations to International Union of Forest Research Organizations

National Federation of Women for Democracy to National Confederation of Women in Equality

New York and New Jersey Asian American Law Enforcement Advisory Committee to United States Asian American Law Enforcement Foundation

Suzanne Mubarak Women's International Peace Movement to End Human Trafficking Now

UNIFEM Australia Incorporated to UN-Women Australia

World Coal Institute to World Coal Association

(e) To take note of the decision by the Committee to take note of the quadrennial reports submitted by the following 369 non-governmental organizations for the period 2007-2010:

All-Russian Society of the Deaf/All-Russian Public Organization of Persons with Disabilities

ABANTU for Development

Academy for Future Science

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

ActionAid

African Action on AIDS

African Youth for Transparency

AIESEC International

ALDET Centre (Saint Lucia)

Al-Hakim Foundation

All China Women's Federation

All India Women's Conference

All India Women's Education Fund Association

All Pakistan Women's Association

All-Russian Social Fund "The Russian Children Foundation"

American Youth Understanding Diabetes Abroad

Ankara Foundation of Children with Leukemia

Antiviolence Center

Arab Lawyers Union

Arias Foundation for Peace and Human Progress

Armenian Constitutional Right-Protective Centre

Asayesefid White Cane

Asian Centre for Human Rights

Asian Centre for Organization Research and Development

Asian People's Disability Alliance

Asociación Mensajeros de la Paz

Asociación Proyecto Hombre

Associated Country Women of the World

Association des consommateurs de télécommunication de Côte d'ivoire

Association for Democratic Initiatives

Association for Emissions Control by Catalyst

Association for Progressive Communications

Association for Reproductive and Family Health

Association nationale Al Hidn

Association of Asian Confederation of Credit Unions

Association of Third World Studies

Association of United Families International

Association pour le développement économique, social, environnemental du nord

Associazione IRENE

Bahrain Women Society

Bangladesh Nari Progati Sangha

Bangladesh Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Bangwe et dialogue

BAOBAB for Women's Human Rights

Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti Jaipur

Brothers of Charity

Buddha's Light International Association

Bunyad Literacy Community Council

Campaign Life Coalition

Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse

Caritas Internationalis

Caucus for Women's Leadership

Center for Economic and Social Rights

Center for Interethnic Cooperation

Center for International Earth Science Information Network

Center for International Health and Cooperation

Centre d'accompagnement des autochtones pygmees et minoritaires vulnerables

Centre for Democracy and Development

Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions

Centro de Estudios de Estado y Sociedad

Child Development Foundation

Children of the World: Regional Public Charitable Fund of Assistance to Cultural and Sports Development of Children and Young People

China Association for NGO Cooperation

China Association for Preservation and Development of Tibetian Culture

China International Public Relations Association

Chinese Association for International Understanding

Christian Legal Fellowship

CIDSE

Citizens' Coalition for Economic Justice

CITYNET: Regional Network of Local Authorities for the Management of Human Settlements

Club of Madrid

Coalition of Activist Lesbians (Australia)

Colombian Commission of Jurists

Comité français pour l'Afrique du Sud

Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America

Community of Sant'Egidio

Community Social Welfare Foundation

Company of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul

Confédération fiscale européenne

Confederazione Generale Italiana del Lavoro

Conference of European Churches

Congregations of St. Joseph

Conscience and Peace Tax International

Conseil de jeunesse pluriculturelle

Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations

Convention of Independent Financial Advisors

Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations

Council of American Overseas Research Centers

Cross-Cultural Solutions

David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies

Daytop Village Foundation

Defence for Children International

Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era

Development Innovations and Networks

Dianova International

Dignity International

Disabled Peoples International

Dominican Union of Journalists for Peace

Earthjustice

Equidad de Genero: Ciudadania,Trabajo y Familia

Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention

European Disability Forum

European Transport Safety Council

European Women's Lobby

European Youth Forum

Federación Internacional de Asociaciones de Ayuda Social Ecológica y Cultural

Feminist Press

Focus on the Family

Fondation Congo Assistance

Fondation Humanus

Forum for Women and Development

Foundation for Ecological Security

Foundation for the Rights of the Family

Foundation Projekta for Women and Development Services

Franciscans International

Fund of Aid for Youth

Fundación Antonio Nuñez Jiménez de la Naturaleza y el Hombre

Fundación Salvadoreña Para el Desarrollo Económico y Social

Geneva International Model United Nations

German Foundation for World Population

Girl Scouts of the United States of America

Global Action on Aging

Global Exchange

Global Volunteers

Good People International

Grupo de Información en Reproducción Elegida

Gulf Automobile Federation

Hariri Foundation for Sustainable Human Development

Heritage Foundation

Himalayan Research and Cultural Foundation

Hong Kong Council of Social Service

Howard League for Penal Reform

Human Appeal International

Human Rights Congress for Bangladesh Minorities

Human Rights Defence Centre

Human Rights Information and Documentation Systems International

Human Rights National Circle

Inclusion International

Indian Council of Education

Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage

Information Habitat

Initiatives: Women in Development

Inner Trip Reiyukai International

Institute for Global Environmental Strategies

Institute for International Urban Development

Institute for Sustainable Development and Research

Institute for Women's Studies and Research

Institute on Human Rights and the Holocaust

Instituto Qualivida

Interact Worldwide

InterAction: American Council for Voluntary International Action

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International Abolitionist Federation

International Alliance of Women

International Association for Religious Freedom

International Association for the Defence of Religious Liberty

International Association for Volunteer Effort

International Association for Water Law

International Association of Charities

International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing

International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists

International Association of Lawyers against Nuclear Arms

International Association of Peace Messenger Cities

International Association of Schools of Social Work

International Bar Association

International Bureau for Epilepsy

International Cartographic Association

International Catholic Union of the Press

International Center for Not-for-Profit Law

International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development

International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development

International Chamber of Shipping

International Committee for the Indians of the Americas (Switzerland)

International Council for Adult Education

International Council of Scientific Unions

International Council of Women

International Driving Tests Committee

International Electrotechnical Commission

International Eurasia Press Fund

International Federation for Family Development

International Federation for Housing and Planning

International Federation of ACAT

International Federation of Associations of the Elderly

International Federation of Business and Professional Women

International Federation of Social Workers

International Federation of University Women

International Federation on Ageing

International Federation "Terre des Hommes"

International Fellowship of Reconciliation

International Forum for Child Welfare

International Hotel and Restaurant Association

International Informatization Academy

International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis

International Institute of Administrative Sciences

International Islamic Committee for Woman and Child

International Islamic Relief Organization

International Jurists Organisation

International Kolping Society

International Law Association

International Motor Vehicle Inspection Committee

International Movement ATD Fourth World

International Network of Basin Organizations

International Network of Liberal Women

International Ocean Institute

International Ontopsychology Association

International Organization for Standardization

International Organization of Employers

International Peacebuilding Alliance

International Planned Parenthood Federation (East and South-East Asia and Oceania Region)

International Planned Parenthood Federation (Europe Region)

International Planned Parenthood Federation (western hemisphere region)

International Real Estate Federation

International Religious Liberty Association

International Road Federation

International Road Safety

International Service for Human Rights

International Social Security Association

International Social Service

International Sociological Association

International Statistical Institute

International Touring Alliance

International Trade Union Confederation

International Trustee Fund of the Tsyolkovsky Moscow State Aviation Technological University

International Tunnelling Association

International Union of Economists

International Volunteerism Organization for Women, Education and Development

International Women's Health Coalition

Inuit Circumpolar Council

ISHA Foundation

Jana Utthan Pratisthan

Japan Civil Liberties Union

Japan Federation of Bar Associations

Join Together Society

Jubilee Campaign

Kids Can Free the Children

Korean Institute for Women and Politics

Korean Sharing Movement

Kurdistan Reconstruction and Development Society

Lama Gangchen World Peace Foundation

Lassalle-Institut

Latin American Committee for the Defence of Women's Rights

L'auravetl'an Information and Education Network of Indigenous People

Legal Service Coalition

Legião da Boa Vontade

Liberal International

Life Ethics Educational Association

Life for Relief and Development

Link-Up (Queensland) Aboriginal Corporation

Mayors for Peace

Mbutu Agriculture Society

Medical Women's International Association

Mediterranean Women's Studies Centre

Mentor Foundation

Mercy-USA for Aid and Development

Minaret of Freedom Institute

Mission International Rescue Foundation

Misión Mujer

Movement for a Better World

Muslim World League

National Association of Community Legal Centres

National Committee for UNIFEM (Japan)

National Council of German Women's Organizations

National Council of Negro Women

National Council of Women of the United States

National Wildlife Federation

National Women's Council of Catalonia

Network Women In Development Europe

New Human Rights

New Japan Women's Association

New York County Lawyers' Association

Nonviolent Peaceforce

Northern Ireland Women's European Platform

OISCA International (South India chapter)

Pacific Rim Institute for Development and Education

Pag-Aalay Ng Puso Foundation (Offering of the Heart Foundation)

PanAmerican-PanAfrican Association

Pax Christi International

Paz y Cooperación

Perhaps Kids Meeting Kids Can Make a Difference

Permanent Assembly for Human Rights

Physicians for Human Rights

Planned Parenthood Federation of America

Prasad Project

Priests for Life

Program for Appropriate Technology in Health

Ramola Bhar Charitable Trust

RICS Foundation

Romanian Independent Society of Human Rights

Rural Development Leadership Network

Safari Club International Foundation

Sahara for Life Trust

Salesian Missions

Salvation Army

Service and Research Institute on Family and Children

Several Sources Foundation

SHATIL: New Israel Fund's Empowerment and Training Center for Social Change Organizations

Shimin Gaikou Centre

Simon Wiesenthal Center

Socialist International

Socialist International Women

Society for the Promotion of Youth and Masses

Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues

Sociologists for Women in Society

Sodalitas

SOUL Development of Women and Children

Southern Diaspora Research and Development Center

Special Olympics International

St. Joan's International Alliance

Stree Aadhar Kendra

Struggle for Change

Sudan National Committee on Harmful Traditional Practices

Sudanese Women General Union

Suzanne Mubarak Women's International Peace Movement

Swedish Association for Sexuality Education

Swedish Federation for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Rights

Swiss Catholic Lenten Fund

Tandem Project

Temple of Understanding

Third World Institute

Transparency International

Tribal Link Foundation

Trickle Up Program

Turkish Economic and Social Studies Foundation

UNESCO Centre of Catalonia

UNIFEM Australia

Union internationale des avocats

Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs

Union of International Associations

Union of the Electricity Industry

United Cities and Local Governments

United Nations Association of Russia

United Nations Association of San Diego

United Religions Initiative

United States Burn Support Organization

United States Committee for UNIFEM

Vali-Asr Rehabilitation Foundation for Disabled Children and Adults

Water Environment Federation

Wittenberg Center for Alternative Resources

Women in Europe for a Common Future

Women's Human Rights International Association

Women's International Zionist Organization

Women's Sports Foundation

Women's Union of Russia

Women's World Banking

Women's World Summit Foundation

World Alliance of Young Men's Christian Associations

World Association of Industrial and Technological Research Organizations

World Blind Union

World Coal Institute

World Federation for Mental Health

World Federation of Democratic Youth

World Federation of Khoja Shi'a Ithna-Asheri Muslim Communities

World Federation of the Deaf

World Federation of the Deafblind

World Federation of Therapeutic Communities

World Fellowship of Buddhists

World Jewish Congress

World Job and Food Bank

World Jurist Association of the World Peace Through Law Center

World Mission Foundation

World Muslim Congress

World Network of Users and Survivors of Psychiatry

World Safety Organization

World Savings Banks Institute

World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations

World Wind Energy Association

World Young Women's Christian Association

Worldwide Organization for Women

Youth with a Mission

(f) To take note of the quadrennial reports for periods earlier than 2007-2010 submitted by the following five organizations:

Becket Fund for Religious Liberty

Centrist Democrat International

CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation

Interfaith International

International Network of Liberal Women

(g) To note that the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations decided to close without prejudice consideration of the requests for consultative status made by the following twenty non-governmental organizations, after those organizations had failed, after three reminders from the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, to respond to questions put to them by the Committee:

A Better Life Foundation

alpesandes.org

American Bible Society

American Council for World Jewry

Baidarie

Clean Up Australia

Creating Resources for Empowerment in Action

Ehsaas Foundation

Fundación Mamonal

Gender Links

General Forum of the Arabic and African Non-Governmental Organizations

GGS Institute of Information Communication Technology India

International Council for Human Rights

International Institute of Security and Safety Management

Kashmiri American Council

Korean Bar Association

Mahabodhi International Meditation Centre

Society for Research in Child Development

World Buddhist Supreme Tathagata Followers Peace Foundation

Zambian International Health Alliance

(h) To note that the Committee decided to close consideration of the request for consultative status made by the non-governmental organization Movement against Atrocities and Repression.

Draft decision II
Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2012 regular session

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2012 regular session.

II. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification, change of name and withdrawal of application received from non-governmental organizations

1. The Committee considered agenda item 3 (a), Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee, and 3 (b), New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 1st to 16th meetings, from 30 January to 8 February 2012. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing new applications for consultative status received from non-governmental organizations (E/C.2/2012/R.2 and Add.1-18);

(b) Compilation of applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status deferred from previous sessions of the Committee held from 1999 through 2011 (E/C.2/2012/CRP.1);

(c) Compilation of deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council deferred from sessions of the Committee held in 2011 (E/C.2/2012/CRP.2);

(d) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2012/CRP.3);

(e) Memorandum by the Secretary-General containing requests from organizations requesting a change of name (E/C.2/2012/CRP.4).

A. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee

2. The Committee considered agenda item 3 (a), Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from its previous sessions, at its 1st through 16th meetings, from 30 January to 8 February 2012. The Committee considered a total of 153 deferred applications for consultative status.

Applications recommended

3. The Committee recommended that the Council grant consultative status to the following 50 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (a)):

General consultative status

Islamic Relief USA

Voluntary Service Overseas

Special consultative status

Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine

Arab Penal Reform Organization

Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact

Asociación de Amigos de las Naciones Unidas

Association graines de paix

Association togolaise pour les Nations Unies

British Humanist Association

Captive Daughters

Centre for Human Rights

Chamber of Computer Logistics People Worldwide

Corporación para la Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos-Reiniciar e 8

Earth Day Network

Ecumenical Federation of Constantinopolitans

European Union Association in the United States

Foundation for Human Horizon

Freemuse: the World Forum on Music and Censorship

Fundación Argentina a las Naciones Camino a la Verdad

Global Economist Forum

Global Family for Love and Peace

Housing Works

Internationale Organisation Für Volkskunst

Japan Water Forum

Kosmos Associates

Law Council of Australia

Legal Aid Forum for Human Rights

Mediators Beyond Borders

Murder Victims' Families for Human Rights

NGO Coordination Committee for Iraq

ODHIKAR — Coalition for Human Rights

People for Successful Corean Reunification

PFI Foundation

Reality of Aid Network

Release Legal Emergency and Drugs Service

Search for Common Ground

Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States

Shrimati Pushpa Wati Loomba Memorial Foundation

Stichting Universal Education Foundation

Sveriges Kvinnolobby

The Fishermen

Thin and High

Training for Women Network

WOOMB International

World Alliance for Youth Empowerment

World Hunger Year

World Igbo Congress

ZOA Vluchtelingenzorg

Roster

Erevna International Peace Center

Applications deferred

4. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 80 non-governmental organizations, pending the receipt of responses to questions posed to them by the Committee during its 2012 regular session:

Afghan Poverty Relief

AIDS Accountability International

Al Tajdeed Cultural Social Society

All India Christian Council

Amuta for NGO Responsibility

Architects for Peace

Asia Catalyst

Asia Center for Human Rights

Asian-Eurasian Human Rights Forum

Association for Social and Environmental Development

Assyrian National Congress

Asylum Access

AUA Americas Chapter

Australian Lesbian Medical Association

Autonomous Women's Center

Bridging the Gulf

British Columbia Civil Liberties Association

British Overseas NGOs for Development

Bureau international pour le respect des droits de l'homme au Sahara Occidental

Business and Professional Women Voluntary Organization — Sudan

Católicas por el Derecho a Decidir, Córdoba

Center for Global Nonkilling

Christian Solidarity Worldwide

Collectif des familles de disparu(e)s en Algérie

Corporación Excelencia en la Justicia

Defense Small Arms Advisory Council

Dharma Drum Mountain Buddhist Association

Education for Employment Foundation

European Humanist Federation

Foundation for GAIA

Freedom Now

GAiN International

Homosexuelle Initiative Wien

Human Rights Association for Community Development in Assiut

Human Rights Now

Indira Gandhi National Foundation

International Association of Genocide Scholars

International Covenant for the Protection of Journalists

International Dalit Solidarity Network

International Federation of Liberal Youth

International Organization for Victim Assistance

International Partnership for Human Rights

International Prison Chaplains' Association

International Senior Lawyers Project

International Services Association

Iran Human Rights Documentation Center

Isfahan Association for Protection of Human Rights

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

Kerman Raad

Krityanand UNESCO Club Jamshedpur

Kuchlak Welfare Society

Lawyers for Lawyers

Manavata

Mundo Sin Guerras

National Secular Society

New Era Educational and Charitable Support Initiative

New World Hope Organization

Noble Institution for Environmental Peace

Northern Alberta Alliance on Race Relations Society

Palpung Munishasan Dharmachakra Sangh

Programme on Women's Economic Social and Cultural Rights

Rainforest Partnership

Rural Development Organization

Scandinavian Institute for Human Rights Norway

Scholars at Risk Network

Second Amendment Foundation

Skyian Welfare Organization

Solicitors' International Human Rights Group

Sri Swami Madhavananda World Peace Council

Sudanese Mothers For Peace

Swisscontact: Schweizerische Stiftung für technische Entwicklungszusammenarbeit

Trustees of Boston University

United Hatzalah

UPR Info

West Africa Centre for Peace Foundation

Widows for Peace Through Democracy

WITNESS

Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights

Yoga in Daily Life USA

Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights

Bureau international pour le respect des droits de l'homme au Sahara Occidental

5. At its 9th meeting, on 3 February 2012, the Committee reviewed the application of the organization Bureau international pour le respect des droits de l'homme au Sahara Occidental. The representative of Morocco requested that the application be closed. During the discussion, the following objections regarding the activities of the organization were raised: instead of focusing on the promotion of human rights, the organization was engaged in a pattern of politically motivated activities against one Member State; the organization was involved in activities that violated the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of the Member State, in violation of Article 2 (4) of the Charter of the United Nations and paragraphs 2 and 3 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31; the organization's website contained unsubstantiated and politically motivated attacks against the Member State and other materials constituting de facto interference in the internal affairs of the Member State. The representatives of the Sudan and Senegal supported the request to close the application. The representatives of Venezuela and Cuba requested that they be given more time and the representative of Belgium proposed that the organization be given an opportunity to respond to the objections raised. The Committee decided, in accordance with paragraph 15 of resolution 1996/31, to request the Secretariat to send a letter to the organization, in order to seek its response to the objections that had been raised in the Committee regarding its activities.

Application closed

Movement against Atrocities and Repression

6. At its 12th meeting, on 6 February, the Committee reviewed the application for consultative status of the organization Movement against Atrocities and Repression. The representative of India requested that the application be closed. He expressed grave concerns over acts of terrorism, in particular the hijacking of two Indian Airlines aircraft, which had been committed by the leadership of the organization. Judicial cases against the individuals, who were fugitives from the law, were currently pending in India. The representatives of the United States of America, Israel, Belgium and Turkey supported the request. The Committee decided, in accordance with paragraph 15 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, to request the Secretariat to send a letter to the organization, highlighting that the hijacking of civilian aircraft is an act of terrorism and inviting the organization's response to the objections that had been raised in the Committee. The organization responded on 10 February. At its 17th meeting, on 17 February, the Committee decided to close its consideration of the application (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (h)).

Applications closed without prejudice

7. At its 15th meeting, on 8 February, the Committee decided to close without prejudice consideration of the applications of 20 non-governmental organizations that had failed, despite three reminders sent to them over the course of two consecutive sessions of the Committee, to respond to queries posed by the Committee (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (g)).

Applications withdrawn

8. The Committee decided to take note of the withdrawal of the deferred applications of the following two non-governmental organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (c)):

International Christian Chamber of Commerce

Soroptimist International of the Americas

B. New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification

9. The Committee considered item 3 (b) of its agenda, New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification, at its 1st to 16th meetings, from 30 January to 8 February 2012. The Committee considered a total of 190 new applications for consultative status.

New applications recommended

10. Of the 190 organizations whose new applications had been received, the Committee recommended that the following 107 organizations should be granted consultative status with the Council (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (a)):

General consultative status

Biovision Stiftung für ökologische Entwicklung

Gazeteciler ve Yazarlar Vakfi

Special consultative status

A.K. Munshi Yojana

Africa culture internationale

African Agency for Integrated Development

African Centre for Community and Development

African Development Association

Agence pour le développement intégré au Congo

Ajegunle Community Project

Albert B. Sabin Vaccine Institute

All-Russian Public Organization of Disabled People with Multiple Sclerosis

Amizade

Artfully AWARE

Asian Consultancy on Tobacco Control

Asociación Civil Observatorio Social

Association de l'intervention pour les mères

Association des jeunes pour l'agriculture du Mali

Association Dunenyo

Association of African Entrepreneurs

Association pour le développement de la société Civile angolaise

Association pour l'intégration et le développement durable au Burundi

Awaz Centre for Development Services

Bread of Life Development Foundation

Cancer Aid Society

Centa for Organisational Development

Center for Africa Development and Progress

Centre d'information et de conseil des nouvelles spiritualités

Centre for Development Communication

Centre for Economic and Leadership Development

Centre for Environment and Development

Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales

Centro Ecuatoriano de Derecho Ambiental

Chicago TASC

Children Education and Social Welfare Society

Colectiva Mujer y Salud

Comisión para la Investigación de Malos Tratos a las Mujeres

Compagnons d'action pour le développement familial

Concile mondial de congrès diplomatiques des aumoniers pour la paix universelle des droits humains et juridiques

Confédération européenne des cadres

Corps de Réflexion et de Planification pour l'Utilité Sociale

Daya Pertiwi Foundation

Diabetic Association of Sri Lanka

Disarm Education Fund

East and Horn of Africa Human Rights Defenders Projects

Famille Debout

Fondation des oeuvres pour la solidarité et le bien-être social

Fondation marocaine de l'éducation pour l'emploi

Frathekk Foundation Common Initiative Group

Fundación Proacceso ECO

Global Deaf Connection

Guru Angad Dev Sewa Society — Punjab, Ludhiana

Horizon Foundation

ICW Global: Comunidad Internacional de Mujeres Viviendo con VIH-SIDA

IDP Foundation

Impact for Change and Development

Indian Development Foundation

Indigenous Information Network

Innovation: Africa

Institut Jules-Destrée

Institute for Conscious Social Change

Intercambios

Interchurch Medical Assistance

International Longevity Center Global Alliance

International POPs Elimination Network

Iraqi Development Organization

IRESC: International Radio Emergency Support Coalition

Korean Assembly for Reunion of Ten Million Separated Families

Kuwait Association for the Basic Evaluators for Human Rights

Kyung Hee University

LDC Watch

Liberian United Youth for Community Safety and Development

Licht für die Welt — Christoffel Entwicklungszusammenarbeit

Local Action Organization

Major Alliance Education Centre

Mother Care Foundation

National Advocates for Pregnant Women

National Coalition Against Racial Discrimination

NGO Coordination post Beijing Switzerland

Ngoma Club

Nigeria Model United Nations Society

Observatorio Mexicano de la Crisis

Okogun Odigie Safewomb International Foundation

Organisation camerounaise pour la protection de l'arbre

Organisation pour la rénovation environnante du sud d'Haïti

Painted Children UK

Pesticide Action Nexus Association

Pragya

Public Fund "Medialife"

Public Health Institute

Public Union of Citizens "International Centre of Education of Georgian and German Women"

Regional Public Foundation Assistance for the Elderly "Dobroe Delo"

Salamander Trust

Sant Nirankari Mandal — Delhi

Smile Foundation

Solidarité agissante pour le développement familial

Tlachinollan: Grupo de Apoyo a los Pueblos Indios de la Montaña

Tomorrow's Peacekeepers Today

Tour opération et initiatives

Uganda Management Assistance Programme

US Women Connect

USA Mali Charitable Association of NYC

Voice of Change International

Vojenský a špitální Řád svatého Lazara Jeruzalémského (Bohemia)

World Barua Organization

Yakutia — Our Opinion

Young Professionals Forum

New applications deferred

11. The Committee deferred its consideration of the applications of the following 82 organizations pending receipt of answers to questions posed to the organizations by the Committee at its 2012 regular session:

Abiodun Adebayo Welfare Foundation

Addameer Prisoners Support and Human Rights Association

Afrikaanse Forum vir Burgerregte

Alliance for Reproductive Health Rights

Al-Mahdi Institute

Al-Maqdese for Society Development

Al-Marsad: The Arab Centre for Human Rights in the Golan Heights

Apne Aap Women World Wide (India) Trust

Asabe Shehu Yar'Adua Foundation

Asia Journalist Association

Asociación Centro Indígena para el Desarrollo Sostenible

Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism

Cambodian League for the Promotion and Defense of Human Rights

Canterio International for Sustainable Development

Catholic Fund for Overseas Development

Center for International Policy

Child Rights Information Network

Coalition mondiale contre la peine de mort

Conseil des jeunes congolais de l'étranger

Corporación para la Investigación, el Desarrollo Sostenible y la Promoción Social

Dialogue interreligieux monastique

Eagle Eyes Association for Afghan Displaced Youth

Earth Child Institute

Egyptian Association for Dissemination and Development of Legal Awareness

Fahamu Trust

Forest Stewardship Council

Global Network for Rights and Development

Hands of Love Group System

Hokok Coalición Internacional Contra la Impunidad

Human Rights Network (HURINET)

ICT for Peace Foundation

Ilitha Labantu

ImageMagica

Initiative for Environment, Health and Social Development

Institute of Asian Culture and Development

International Association for Advancement of Space Safety

International Circle of Faith Chaplaincy Corps

International Coalition against War Criminals (Norway)

International Council for the Day of Vesak

International Human Rights and Anti-Corruption Society

International Public Organization "Sovereign Knightly Order of Christ the Savior"

Iranian Vegetable Oil Industries Association

Islamic African Relief Agency

Jerusalem Legal Aid and Human Rights Center

JustWorld International

KARP

Kazakhstan Criminological Association

Kejibaus

Kuki Organization for Human Rights Trust

Living Bread International Church

Management Sciences for Health

Maria and Liberdade Foundation

Mines Action Canada

Movement for the Protection of the African Child

National Forum "Alternatives, Practice, Initiatives"

Network for North Korean Democracy and Human Rights

Organisation technique européenne du pneumatique et de la jante

Pacific Disability Forum

Peacemaker Corps Foundation

Peace Operation Training Institute

Population Connection

Royal Society of Chemistry

Rural Women Empowerment and Life Improvement Association

Sairam Population Research Trust

Scalabrini International Migration Network

Shikhar Chetna Sangathan

Singapore Institute of International Affairs

SKG Sangha

Somali Women Civil War Survivors

South Asia Partnership Pakistan

Stichting Spanda

Tabitha Cumi Foundation

TrustAfrica

United Planet Corporation

Unnayan Onneshan

Virtual Activism

Women Deliver

World Future Council Foundation

World Shelter Organisation

World Welfare Association

Young Men's Hebrew Association of the City of New York

Zeitgeist — the Spirit of the Times

Islamic African Relief Agency

12. At its 3rd meeting, on 31 January, the Committee reviewed the application of the Islamic African Relief Agency. The organization had been granted special consultative status since 1985 and had its consultative status withdrawn in 2006, based on ties to terrorism. In its new application, the organization failed to disclose that it had previously held consultative status. The representative of the United States stated that her delegation would seek closure of the application and that the organization should have accurately represented the facts. In addition, she expressed concern over its ties to terrorist organizations. The representative of Israel shared those concerns and supported the request for closure of the application, stating his delegation's unequivocal position against terrorism. The representative of the Sudan stated that the organization was engaged only in relief work and that it had no connection to terrorist organizations. The organization had been duly registered as a non-governmental organization in his country, which had a stringent vetting process.

13. At its 15th meeting, on 8 February, the Committee considered the answers received from the organization. The representative of the United States informed the Committee that her delegation would seek closure of the application at the Committee's resumed session, in order to give delegations more time to consider it. The representative of the Sudan stated that his delegation intended to propose that the organization be recommended for consultative status at the resumed session.

Requests for reclassification

14. At its 14th meeting, on 7 February, the Committee considered seven requests for reclassification of consultative status, including four new requests, contained in document E/C.2/2012/R.3, and three deferred requests for reclassification, contained in document E/C.2/2012/CRP.3. It decided to recommend reclassification of three organizations from the Roster to special consultative status (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (b)).

15. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to defer consideration of the application for reclassification of status of the following four organizations:

Family Health International

Geriatrics Care Foundation of Pakistan

International Federation of Consular Corps and Associations

World Council for Curriculum and Instruction

New withdrawal of application

16. The Committee took note of the withdrawal of the new application of the following non-governmental organization (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (c)):

Act of Life

Requests for change of name

17. At its 15th meeting, on 8 February, the Committee considered 12 requests for a change of name by organizations in consultative status, contained in document E/C.2/2012/CRP.4. It took note of all 12 name changes (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (d)).

III. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

A. Quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council that had been deferred at the resumed session

18. At its 8th and 9th meetings, on 3 and 4 February 2012, the Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretary-General containing a compilation of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in general and special consultative status with the Council on their activities during the period from 1999 to 2010, which had been deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2012/CRP.2). Of the 20 reports, the Committee took note of the reports of the following 5 organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (f)):

Becket Fund for Religious Liberty (2006-2009)

Centrist Democrat International (1994-1997)[2]

CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation (2004-2007)

Interfaith International (2006-2009)

International Network of Liberal Women (2003-2006)

[2] The representative of Cuba stated that her delegation disassociated itself from the decision to take note of this quadrennial report.

19. The Committee decided to defer further consideration of the following 15 deferred quadrennial reports from 11 organizations:

Centrist Democrat International (1998-2001) (2002-2005) (2006-2009)

Freedom House (2003-2006)

Human Rights Watch (2005-2008)

International Federation of Journalists (2005-2008)

International PEN (2006-2009)

International Press Institute (2001-2004) (2005-2008)

International Union of Socialist Youth (2005-2008)

National Council of Women of Thailand (2000-2003)

Reporters sans frontières international (2005-2008)

Society for Threatened Peoples (2001-2004) (2005-2008)

Ukrainian World Congress (2003-2006)

B. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council

20. At its 10th meeting, on 3 February 2012, the Committee considered agenda item 4 (b), Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council. It had before it notes by the Secretary-General containing 375 new quadrennial reports (E/C.2/2012/2 and Add.1-24). The Committee took note of the quadrennial reports of 369 of those organizations (see chap. I, draft decision I, para. (e)). The Committee decided to defer consideration of six reports of the following organizations:

Armenian Assembly of America

Asociatia Pro Democratia

France libertes: Fondation Danielle Mitterrand

Freedom House

Human Rights First

Syriac Universal Alliance

IV. Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat

21. At its 1st meeting, on 31 January 2012, the Committee jointly considered agenda item 5, Strengthening of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, agenda item 6, Review of the methods of work of the Committee, and agenda item 8, General voluntary trust fund in support of the United Nations Non-Governmental

Organizations Informal Regional Network, and heard oral reports made by the Secretariat.

22. Representatives of the Branch highlighted the need for increased financial and human resources to provide much-needed support to the paperless system, with a focus on maximizing efficiency in order to meet the demands of the increased workload of the Committee. It was also brought to the attention of the Committee that the Committee should consider ways to support the efforts of the Branch to provide adequate support to the complementary areas covered by Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

V. Review of the methods of work of the Committee: implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31, including the process of accreditation of representatives of non-governmental organizations, and Council decision 1995/304

Other related matters

Recommendations for improving the working methods of the Committee

23. Delegations requested more time to consider a number of issues that could contribute to improving the working methods of the Committee. These were: questions posed to non-governmental organizations, including questions about individual members, and the procedure for transmitting questions; the procedure for reclassifying non-governmental organizations; the procedure for reviewing the quadrennial reports of non-governmental organizations, including organizations submitting multiple reports; and the procedure for putting applications onto either list 1 or list 2. Informal consultations would be held to address those issues before the resumed session.

VI. Consideration of special reports and complaints by Member States

Centre Europe-tiers monde

24. On 9 December 2011, the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch received a letter from the non-governmental organization Centre Europe-tiers monde, whose consultative status with the Economic and Social Council had been suspended for the period from 20 July 2010 to 19 July 2012. In its decision 2010/221 suspending the organization, the Council had requested it to submit to the Committee a letter confirming that it would conform at all times to the principles governing the establishment and nature of its consultative relations with the Council, as stipulated in paragraph 55 of Council resolution 1996/31. At its 15th meeting, on 8 February 2012, the Committee was informed about the letter.

VII. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

25. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations held its 2012 regular session from 30 January to 8 February and on 17 February 2012. The Committee held 17 meetings (1st to 17th).

26. The session was opened by the Rapporteur of the 2011 sessions of the Committee, Marghoob Saleem Butt (Pakistan), who served as temporary Chair.

27. At the 1st meeting, on 30 January, the Chair of the Committee, Maria Pavlova Tzotzorkova (Bulgaria), made an opening statement. An introductory statement was made by the Acting Director of the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat.

B. Attendance

28. The session was attended by the members of the Committee. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations, observers for non-member States, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be issued in document E/C.2/2012/INF/2.

29. At its 2012 regular session, the Committee heard 21 representatives of non-governmental organizations, who were given the opportunity to respond to questions raised by the Committee. The additional information provided by the representatives facilitated the debate and the work of the Committee in taking its decisions.

C. Election of officers

30. At its 1st meeting, on 30 January, the Committee elected Maria Pavlova Tzotzorkova (Bulgaria) as Chair. At its 6th meeting, on 1 February, it elected Yoni Ish-Hurwitz (Israel) as Vice-Chair. At its 11th meeting, on 6 February, the Committee elected Mansor Ciss (Senegal) as Vice-Chair. At its 17th meeting, the Committee elected Nurbek Kasymov (Kyrgyzstan) as Vice-Chair.

31. At its 11th meeting, the Committee decided that Vice-Chair Yoni Ish-Hurwitz (Israel) would also serve as Rapporteur of the Committee.

D. Agenda

32. At its 1st meeting, on 30 January, the Committee approved the provisional agenda for its 2012 session as contained in document E/C.2/2012/1.

VIII. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2012 regular session

33. At its 16th meeting, on 8 February 2012, the Committee took note of a draft report and authorized the Rapporteur to finalize the report with the support of the Secretariat and in consultation with the members of the Committee, as appropriate, with a view to its submission to the Economic and Social Council for appropriate action.

34. At its 17th meeting, on 17 February, the Committee adopted the present report.